

REMARKS

In an Office Action mailed on December 17, 2003, a rejection was made to claims 1-7 under 35 U.S.C. 112, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which is regarded as the invention, but would be allowable if rewritten or amended to overcome said rejection(s) under 35 U.S.C. 112. Claims 8-30 are allowed.

As for the term "the intermediate tubing section," in lines 11-12 of claim 1, the antecedent basis may be found in line 7 of claim 1.

Claim 1 has been amended to address the antecedent basis rejection for the phrase "the upper and lower power cable." The phrase now reads "the upper and lower power cable segments" which finds antecedent basis in lines 3 and line 5.

Accordingly, withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully requested.

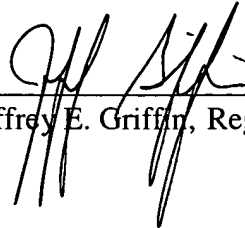
In an Office Action mailed June 16, 2004, an amendment document for this application, filed on March 17, 2004, was considered non-compliant because it failed to meet the requirements of 37 CFR 1.121. The amendment document failed to list all of the claims and failed to provide the proper status identifier for each claim.

The amendment document has been amended to include all of the claims and each claim has the proper status identifier.

In view of the foregoing, withdrawal of the 37 CFR 1.121 non-compliance rejection and a favorable action in the form of a Notice of Allowance are requested. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 500457.

Respectfully submitted,

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